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BSA LTCP Stakeholder Panel



Re: Buffalo Sewer Authority
Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan
Stakeholder Panel Update

Dear Participant:

As you recall through your involvement on our Stakeholder Panel, the Buffalo Sewer Authority (BSA) has been in the process of developing a Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) for the abatement of combined sewer overflows. Much has transpired since our last Stakeholder Panel meeting on April 25, 2012. Since that meeting, the BSA team continued to develop their LTCP program in the spirit of improving water quality in the individual receiving streams, while remaining conscious of the economic impacts. During this time period, the BSA has also improved their relationship with both the Regulatory Agencies (USEPA and NYSDEC) and environmental groups alike to the point that the Regulatory Agencies have issued approval of the entire LTCP program and extended the original implementation schedule from the proposed fifteen years to twenty. More importantly, the projected cost of the approved LTCP program, \$380 million is significantly lower than the \$600 million program proposed in 2004. Between the significant cost reduction and the schedule extension, the BSA believes that the anticipated economic impact on the ratepayers will be a burden that can and will be managed. I personally believe that the LTCP framework and subsequent approval are in no small measure due to the efforts and input from yourself and the other members of the Stakeholder Panel and I would like to personally thank you for your participation.

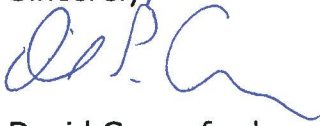
As a continuation of our public participation efforts, we would like to resume the Stakeholder Panel involvement and have scheduled an update meeting for August 7, 2014 at 2:00pm. This meeting will serve to update the panel on the status of the program including the timeline of events since our last meeting, the final recommended LTCP, ongoing projects, and next steps, as well as help determine a vision for the Stakeholder Panel and public participation program moving forward. The meeting will be held at the BSA's Bird Island Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The WWTP was the location of our last meeting and it is located at the foot of West Ferry Street.

We ask that you please RSVP to Lisa Derrigan, a representative from our engineering consultant, ARCADIS, at Lisa.Derrigan@arcadis-us.com or 716.667.6644 as to whether or not you will be attending the meeting.

If you have any questions though, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 851-4664 ext 4201.

On behalf of the Buffalo Sewer Authority, and our residential and industrial customers throughout the City of Buffalo, thank you very much for your participation on this important panel.

Sincerely,



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cc: Michael Quinn, ARCADIS